

# The Bullet

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## Historic Sights Administered by MWC



The Fredericksburg area has many historic sights to visit. Two such offerings are Belmont, The Gari Melchers Memorial Gallery and the James Monroe Law Office-Museum and Memorial Library.

These two registered National Historic Landmarks are unique in the area because, although they are owned by the state they are administered by Mary Washington College.

Belmont, built in 1761, was purchased in 1916 by Melchers, a renowned painter. His widow Corinne deeded the estate to the state of Virginia.

In the house visitors can see antique furniture that belonged to Melchers and pictures that were painted by Melchers and other famous artists.

The galleries house more than 50 of Melcher's works and contain the artist's work bench, easels, brushes, paints, smock, and model's platform.

Located in Falmouth on State Route 1001, a quarter-mile from U.S. Routes 1 and

17, Belmont is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday through Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.

Situated in downtown Fredericksburg at 908 Charles St., The James Monroe Law Office-Museum and Memorial Library houses Louis XVI furniture that Monroe bought while he was Minister to France and used in the White House during his presidency, including the desk on which he signed the Monroe Doctrine. Some of Mrs. Monroe's gowns and gems are also displayed.

The library, which emphasizes the theme of "the life and times of James Monroe" is lined with several thousand books and historic documents and a reconstruction of Monroe's personal library.

The museum is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Admission to both sights is free to MWC students, for other visitors the cost is \$1.50 for adults and \$.50 for persons age 6 through 18.

Belmont

Photo by Barry deNicola



James Monroe Law Office

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Apartheid is a sickness, and sadly enough, it permeates the entire white society. It will not be changed easily. The outbreaks of violence and police brutality within the past year indicate the government's resistance to change. In fact, the white population anticipates bloodshed and will go to any lengths to maintain control of their "civilized white policies."

I was encouraged by the large turnout at the film and the interest that was shown in forming action groups on campus to counteract apartheid. In order to stop apartheid, we must first promote awareness. I do not know the answer to the problem. To sit back however, and ignore the gross injustices committed in South Africa is ludicrous. We should know, from our own civil rights experiences that racism is an ugly beast. When it rears its head, all humanity is lost.

Apartheid is much more than the scenes you see on the nightly news, or the words you read in *The Post*. For myself, and many others, the film visualized the true horrors of life for the blacks in South Africa. Become aware of the situation and take steps to halt it. The death of 60 black African children an hour must stop.

## SA Announces Poll Results

by LAURA M. MASON

Results of the Student Association student poll were announced at Wednesday's Senate meeting. Karen Anderson, S.A. president announced that there were 1108 students polled (approximately one-third of the student body). Of those polled, 85 percent were in favor of the Master Plan, 8 percent were opposed and 7 percent had no opinion. When asked whether in favor of the name change students voted 69 percent against the name change, 20 percent for the change and 11 percent had no opinion.

This week is voter awareness week and there will be a mock election Tuesday, Oct. 8. Also on Oct. 8 the Academic Affairs Committee is sponsoring a graduate school night. Among the schools represented will

## "Infirmary Status" Ails Mercer

To the Editor:

I don't want to start an editorial war but I do want to respond to last week's letter. I'm afraid Mr. Zdawcewicz is laboring under a misapprehension. Mercer residents are not feeling sorry for themselves—what we are feeling is frustrated with an administration which doesn't seem to have been listening. I'm sure other dorms are encountering the same unfortunate problem.

When Mercer was made into a dorm, the minimum of work was performed and very little has been done since. It took two years to get something as trivial as curtains put up in the lobby. Francis, the maid we share with Willard, has kindly loaned us an old television of hers. Our chairs have been disappearing at a steady rate and the small tables didn't last very long because of shabby workmanship.

Contrary to your belief, we do go out and have fun. The Pub and keggers are not avoided by Mercer residents. I think Jefferson and Marshall are fine places, but I live in Mercer because I like the smaller dorm and friendly atmosphere. The problem with the tiles is that it's a reminder of the past infirmary status and doesn't aid in the building of a different type of future for the dorm.

What is perhaps the saddest part of this situation is the fact that people DO still think this is the infirmary. Last year, it was kind of funny

be T.C. Williams Law school. This event has been organized in order to increase student awareness of graduate school opportunities.

## Senate Notes

The Judicial and Honor councils are sponsoring mock trials Wednesday, Oct. 9 beginning at 3:45 p.m. These trials are open to all students. Immediately following the trials a representative of AT&T will speak on telephone fraud as both an MWC honor offense and as a federal offense.

Travel committee members were elected this week in Senate. Darlene Haywood was chosen as committee chairman. Two senators from each

class are to be elected to the Travel committee. Freshmen representatives are Holly Tace and Larry Pritchett. Sophomore Representatives are Vanessa Akehurst and Katie Rogers. One junior class representative was elected, Lisa Ferreira, and elections for the second junior representative and for two senior representatives were tabled.

Senators agreed on the name "The Senate Record" for the Senate newsletter. Wednesday, Dec. 4 was chosen as the date for the annual Senate Christmas party. The Senate sponsored assassination game will commence Nov. 4.

Motions this week included asking the welfare committee to look into extending pool hours for greater student use; establishing a meal plan at MWC; and adding smoke detectors to Cornell Hall.

when people came in to the front desk and asked for the nurse. Now, it is starting to get disheartening.

Mercer is trying to make itself known as a dorm, not as a marine hangout. The Roommate Game is the first of our efforts and I might ask why no one from Madison chose to participate as ALL other dorms did?

Mercer wants recognition, not pity.

## Hurray for S.A. Cabinet

To the Editor:

O.K. student body scratch my eyes out, tar and feather me, and beat me up, but I am a proud supporter of the name change. Yes, change it today you'll get no argument from me. I'd be a happy person.

I was once an ardent opponent of the change, I even wrote a letter to the editor last year. I thought it was sexist and totally against the women on campus. Oh, how uninformed I was! I am so embarrassed that I could even think it was so terrible.

Our college needs to grow in recognition. I love this school, and I'll do anything to help it. If it means changing the name, then so be it!

Hurray for the Executive Cabinet. They are doing a courageous thing by looking out for the future students and the present ones. If

Susan Favorite, Kimberly Gibson, Anja Doebler, Jeannie Hambleton, Tracy Seaton, Terry Welch, Anna Peri, Julie Roehrs, Amy Anderson, Christie Cooley, Kate Bradford, Melanie Glass, Mary Goodwin, Gae Mastin, Monica Boyle, Stephanie Creed, Kelly Ittenbach, Nora Sheehan, Kim Dorsey, Michelle Wade

they need my help I'm here and waiting to lend my services. I'll support them on any decisions they make. If you read closely in your student handbook page 66, article IV, section 1 it clearly states, "The Executive Cabinet, as representative of the Student Association, shall have the responsibility to study any matter affecting the welfare of the student body and the College. These representatives have the responsibility to make recommendations which will foster the best interests of the student body and the College."

So, open your minds, you closed-minded people. Remember that mother always knew best! I am carrying my "Go Executive Cabinet!" banner. The line forms to the right!

A Student NOT afraid of change,  
Angie Rockcharlie

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feel that, through God's gift of amazing appointment, they have all the answers to the problem of the name change. Why not change the name? If it is necessary to maintain the high quality of education and to secure the future of this college, then why not? Sure, it's a sad thought to put Mary Washington into the history, she's been a standing force for many years. Yet, changes must occur to ensure the future.

Mary Washington started as a women's preparatory school with three buildings - Virginia, Willard, and Monroe, and from there it grew. With the growth came necessary changes for improvement. Because of progress and other factors, in 1970 it was forced to make one of its most major changes—it went co-educational. Talk about a change, that one probably made the founders of Mary Washington roll over in their graves. But look at us now, it's an accepted phase that took little pain. As you look around, it has also enhanced the school by bringing in new ideas and new opinions allowing the students to acquire a better and more competitive education.

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Apartheid is a sickness, and sadly enough, it permeates the entire white society. It will not be changed easily. The outbreaks of violence and police brutality within the past year indicate the government's resistance to change. In fact, the white population anticipates bloodshed and will go to any lengths to maintain control of their "civilized white policies."

I was encouraged by the large turnout at the film and the interest that was shown in forming action groups on campus to counteract apartheid. In order to stop apartheid, we must first promote awareness. I do not know the answer to the problem. To sit back however, and ignore the gross injustices committed in South Africa is ludicrous. We should know, from our own civil rights experiences that racism is an ugly beast. When it rears its head, all humanity is lost.

Apartheid is much more than the scenes you see on the nightly news, or the words you read in *The Post*. For myself, and many others, the film visualized the true horrors of life for the blacks in South Africa. Become aware of the situation and take steps to halt it. The death of 60 black African children an hour must stop.

## SA Announces Poll Results

by LAURA M. MASON

Results of the Student Association student poll were announced at Wednesday's Senate meeting. Karen Anderson, S.A. president announced that there were 1108 students polled (approximately one-third of the student body). Of those polled, 85 percent were in favor of the Master Plan, 8 percent were opposed and 7 percent had no opinion. When asked whether in favor of the name change students voted 69 percent against the name change, 20 percent for the change and 11 percent had no opinion.

This week is voter awareness week and there will be a mock election Tuesday, Oct. 8. Also on Oct. 8 the Academic Affairs Committee is sponsoring a graduate school night. Among the schools represented will

be T.C. Williams Law school. This event has been organized in order to increase student awareness of graduate school opportunities.

## Senate Notes

The Judicial and Honor councils are sponsoring mock trials Wednesday, Oct. 9 beginning at 3:45 p.m. These trials are open to all students. Immediately following the trials a representative of AT&T will speak on telephone fraud as both an MWC honor offense and as a federal offense.

Travel committee members were elected this week in Senate. Darlene Haywood was chosen as committee chairman. Two senators from each

class are to be elected to the Travel committee. Freshmen representatives are Holly Tace and Larry Pritchett. Sophomore Representatives are Vanessa Akehurst and Katie Rogers. One junior class representative was elected, Lisa Ferreira, and elections for the second junior representative and for two senior representatives were tabled.

Senators agreed on the name "The Senate Record" for the Senate newsletter. Wednesday, Dec. 4 was chosen as the date for the annual Senate Christmas party. The Senate sponsored assassination game will commence Nov. 4.

Motions this week included asking the welfare committee to look into extending pool hours for greater student use; establishing a meal plan at MWC; and adding smoke detectors to Cornell Hall.

## "Infirmary Status" Ails Mercer

To the Editor:

I don't want to start an editorial war but I do want to respond to last week's letter. I'm afraid Mr. Zdanczewicz is laboring under a misapprehension. Mercer residents are not feeling sorry for themselves—what we are feeling is frustrated with an administration which doesn't seem to have been listening. I'm sure other dorms are encountering the same unfortunate problem.

When Mercer was made into a dorm, the minimum of work was performed and very little has been done since. It took two years to get something as trivial as curtains put up in the lobby. Francis, the maid we share with Willard, has kindly loaned us an old television of hers. Our chairs have been disappearing at a steady rate and the small tables didn't last very long because of shabby workmanship.

Contrary to your belief, we do go out and have fun. The Pub and keggers are not avoided by Mercer residents. I think Jefferson and Marshall are fine places, but I live in Mercer because I like the smaller dorm and friendly atmosphere. The problem with the tiles is that it's a reminder of the past infirmary status and doesn't aid in the building of a different type of future for the dorm.

What is perhaps the saddest part of this situation is the fact that people DO still think this is the infirmary. Last year, it was kind of funny

when people came in to the front desk and asked for the nurse. Now, it is starting to get disheartening.

Mercer is trying to make itself known as a dorm, not as a marine hangout. The Roommate Game is the first of our efforts and I might ask why no one from Madison chose to participate as ALL other dorms did?

Mercer wants recognition, not pity.

## Hurray for S.A. Cabinet

To the Editor:

O.K. student body scratch my eyes out, tar and feather me, and beat me up, but I am a proud supporter of the name change. Yes, change it today you'll get no argument from me. I'd be a happy person.

I was once an ardent opponent of the change, I even wrote a letter to the editor last year. I thought it was sexist and totally against the women on campus. Oh, how uninformed I was! I am so embarrassed that I could even think it was so terrible.

Our college needs to grow in recognition. I love this school, and I'll do anything to help it. If it means changing the name, then so be it.

Hurray for the Executive Cabinet. They are doing a courageous thing by looking out for the future students and the present ones. If

they need my help I'm here and waiting to lend my services. I'll support them on any decisions they make. If you read closely in your student handbook page 66, article IV, section 1 it clearly states, "The Executive Cabinet, as representative of the Student Association, shall have the responsibility to study any matter affecting the welfare of the student body and the College. These representatives have the responsibility to make recommendations which will foster the best interests of the student body and the College."

So, open your minds, you closed-minded people. Remember that mother always knew best! I am carrying my "Go Executive Cabinet!" banner. The line forms to the right!

A Student NOT afraid of change, Angie Rockcharlie

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## Features

Mark Bentley

# Is There Life After Graduation?

I read with great interest last week my colleague Chris Zavrel's column on being a senior. Yes, I agree, it is hard to believe that these are the last weeks and days of our academic careers, the undergraduate ones at least.

I speak with as much authority as Mr. Zavrel does, having been here a year longer and facing an impending graduation in December. I too postulated incorrectly on the joys of elderism; I too expected to know everything and be set in my career by the time I reached 115 credits; I too cannot accept the fact that Frank Gilmore is not lurking around some corner like a dreadful ogre, and most importantly, I too approach graduation with a definite degree of trepidation.

Indeed, my situation is a little different than Chris'. Being a semester behind my real class, I find this last semester filled not with the faces of the people I remember, but new ones, ones which look unfamiliar to these aging eyes. Yes, I'm afraid, most of the people I knew have gone beyond the confines of our brick and plaster little world here; they have challenged the working world, degree in hand, ready to make their marks on the already scarred face of reality. And this, dear reader, is the point of this week's column, a quick look at a few people who are ex-

periencing that contradiction in terms, Life After Graduation.

Of the people with whom I hung out the most over the past three years or so, and who received their degrees last May (or were supposed to), one sells shoes, one sells insurance, one until recently sold mattresses, one works in the National Archives in Washington, one is a receptionist, one works, mysteriously, "in business," one is employed with NSA, and the others cling on as I do to the academic world, the dreaded ninth semester seniors.

Those still here however, have abandoned the structured, freedomless lifestyle of a dormitory, and are leading pleasant lives off-campus. Of the aforementioned graduated people, all but two did not return home with their respective degrees, but found comfortable accommodations in Northern Virginia or suburban Maryland. Of the two still in parental abodes, one is there by choice, the other by necessity.

Overall, they picked up decent paying jobs quickly, and although few of them profess to be making careers out of their present positions, all are earning comfortable livings. It doesn't seem quite fair however, that most of them are in some sort of sales profession and thus can "cut some slack" to friends, while I, on the other hand, am about

to enter the world of defense contractors this January and few of my friends have needs for my products—weapons, guidance systems and such.

Oh, well. Budding survivalists in the College Republicans might be interested in automatic weapons or small nuclear arsenals, I suppose. I'll see what I can do. Just kidding! I wouldn't want you to get upset and have a vote as to what to do with me, no one would believe the results. Just kidding again.)

I guess the point of all this is to

allay some fears about the future that no doubt many of the students here have. It all works out in the end.

True, only one of these aforementioned graduates procured positions within his major (the group includes two English, two Political Science, two Business Administration, one Studio Art and one Spanish/International Affairs degree—a varied lot indeed), but all are comfortable and, for the most part, happy for the time being. Most are pursuing their favorite hobby, be it writing, playing with computers,

body-building, or whatever. Life goes on.

I speak from experience when I mention these fears that I suspect are lurking in the minds of many a junior: "Oh no, I'll never get a job!" I, too, spent many a sleepless night wondering if my English degree would leave me well-qualified for gas station work. Then, quite by accident, I stumbled into a summer side position with a company that liked me enough to pick me up in January of next year. So much to my surprise

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## Mock Election to be Held

by PATRICIA WEBER

The mock elections for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General will be held in Seacobeck basement on Wednesday, Oct. 9 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Mock elections, sponsored by the Lobby committee, are usually held on campus for state and national elections. They serve not only as a "testing water" for the candidates, but also get students involved, stated Lobby Chairman, Mary Loose.

Democratic candidates include Baliles for Governor, Wilder for Lt.

Governor and Terry for Attorney General. Republican candidates are Durrette for Governor, Chichester for Lt. Governor and O'Brien for Attorney General.

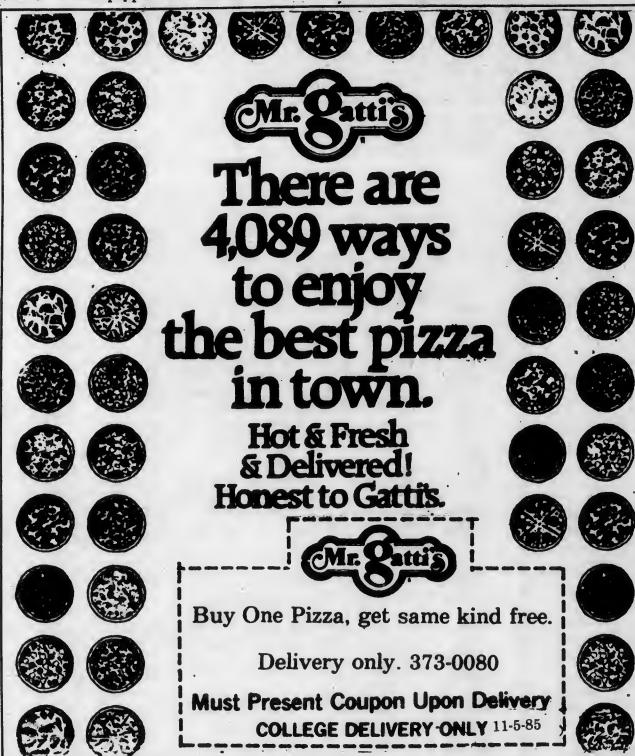
This week's elections are being held in conjunction with Voter Awareness Week. There will also be a table in Seacobeck, containing absentee ballots for Virginia residents.

This is all an attempt to bring current issues to the attention of the Mary Washington Campus. "There are too many students who are not involved, don't vote and don't know the issues. Then they continue to

complain about the actions of the officials once they are in office," commented Loose. The mock elections are aimed to excite the student body to evaluate what's going on in Virginia.

According to Loose, 87 percent of those between the ages of 18 and 25 who vote, will continue to vote and be politically involved throughout the future. The percentages, however, of those who are registered and actually vote are low.

"It is our constitutional right to vote and we are lucky to live in such a democratic society," commented Loose.



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## People

## Marykate Behan Coordinates Hall Activities

hen Dane Foust decided to take at Penn State instead of returning to MWC, Marykate Behan herself promoted from administrative R.A. to head resident of Willard Hall.

It kind of fell into my lap," Behan explains, explaining that it was originally planned that Ms. Keleher would be Mason to fill the vacancy left Foust. During the summer, however, Behan got a call offering

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that of my advisor, who knows the condition of my GPA and indeed responsible for the worst of it, I have a job waiting for me.

Yes, you in the back there, I hear you saying "Oooo, we're so impressed Bentley!" Ok, you can go now, that's not what I was trying to say. I'm saying is, hey, it works out. I'm not worried. If I had spent half as much time worrying as I did studying and doing something— I'd probably be bordering on true success at this point. Don't worry too much if the first place to which you apply tells you to take a hike. And yes, what Mr. Devil (I think) and I are saying is that being a senior—and staring the future straight in the eye—isn't all scary, but it's still a hell of a lot of fun. And scary too. But all in all, a fun scary.

her the position of head resident while Keleher undergoes knee surgery during the fall semester. Behan is to find out in November whether or not Keleher will return for spring session. If she does, Behan will return to her original job as administrative R.A. and Keleher will assume the position of head resident.

Behan works closely with the three R.A.'s, house council and dorm presi-

dent of Willard. She says that she is lucky to have a very enthusiastic, hard-working team behind her and cites plans for future dorm activities including a rape awareness program, Thanksgiving dinner and an ice cream social.

As head resident, Behan is responsible not only for coordinating activities in the dorm but also for handling student complaints and acting on student suggestions.

Because she is a fellow student and a former R.A., residents seem to find Behan approachable and her room is often full of student traffic.

Aside from her job as head resident she is also a member of Circle K, Mortar Board and the Cross Country Team. Behan says that cross-country practice helps her keep her sanity, a time of forced recreation and a means of relief when being in the building becomes "too much like work."

## Seven License Tags Stolen

by SUSAN LOYD

College Police reported the theft of license tags from seven cars parked at the Battleground parking lot. An officer on duty noticed one car without tags, and upon further inspection, discovered six other cars whose plates were missing. All cars belonged to MWC students.

A Fredericksburg male was charged with trespassing and banned from campus. The man was observed by College Police on several occasions loitering by the bicycle racks near Willard and Mason Halls. The man had previously been arrested on campus in Aug. 1982.

A student reported the theft of two oriental rugs from the Westmoreland Hall trunk room. One was a large brown rug valued at

\$250, the other a small blue rug valued at \$35.

Other thefts reported by students recently include a dark blue Fuji twelve speed bicycle valued at \$350.

## Police Beat

from the Bushnell Hall bicycle rack; a men's high school ring valued at \$413, from the Battlefield hockey field; and a blue bookbag valued at

\$70, from College Ave.

A female student reported that

while driving through the back gates

of the College on the morning of Oct.

1, her car was pelted with eggs. The

car, a 1985 Dodge Colt, received a

small dent in the right fender.

Damage was estimated at \$25.

A faculty member also reported the siphoning of gasoline from her car, which was parked at the rear of Lee Hall.



Willard head resident Marykate Behan

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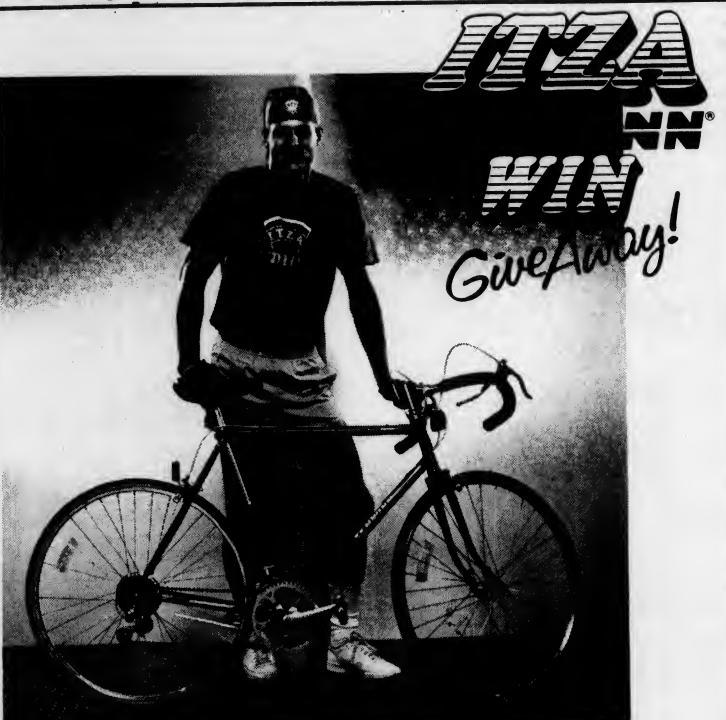
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## Columns

Dotty Michaels

## This Bud's For You, Or is it?

After three weeks at writing this column, I figure enough has been said about the name change and what the administration is doing to prevent the students from fighting it. For a while, I think I will stay away from the name change and discuss other subjects. So here goes!!!

Virginia instituted a new drinking age this year. Now, unless you were born on or before July 2, 1966, you must be 21 years old to consume. If you were born before this date you may continue to drink according to the old laws. This means you can still get bombed at age 19. Let's see if the new drinking law has really affected the campus much so far this year.

One obvious effect is that all the freshmen on campus won't be able to drink. Right? Okay, maybe not, but think what they will have to do. Let's take a look.

One big place to go to is The Pub. As ever, the pub is very crowded and usually there is a line to get in, especially on the weekends. No one can tell me that freshmen can get into the pub and not drink beer if they want to. That idea is ludicrous. Once someone of age buys a pitcher, usually with that all important piece of blue paper for three dollars and twelve cents to ARA who knows where that beer goes. It's more than correct to think that freshmen can get their thirsty little hands on some suds. Then they (especially the guys)

can lose their inhibitions and ask a girl to dance. C'mon, tell the truth. Haven't you ever seen this happen? It's like being Marlin Perkins of Mutual of Omaha's *Wild Kingdom*. Just imagine Marlin saying, "This week we are going to study the dating and mating rituals of an unusual species in the wild kingdom—an MWC male."

The Pub isn't the only place where these drinking rituals occur. Keg parties are another source of amazing stories. (NBC and Stephen Spielberg eat your heart out.) I've even seen a few you could submit to Ripley's. Believe it or not. At keggers, it is so much easier for the freshmen to get their hands on a beer. All they have to do is wet the hands of an upperclassman (how that's done is up to them—I don't want to know how) and press their hands together. The ink from the markers comes off quite easily and often a freshman can slip by the door checker, who often is drunk anyway.

A thought occurred to me. Marshall just had a "maaaahvelous" kegger a while back. Maybe you've noticed that the keggers haven't been as crowded as last year. Maybe this year's freshmen class isn't as devious as last years'. So tell me, Mr. Mancuso, did you make another \$1,000 on this kegger?

Now comes the real problem. The residence halls. Supposing the freshmen don't drink in the pub or a

kegger, where does that put them? Behind closed doors! I wonder how the Office of Residence Life and staff are handling the problem? Many halls have a policy of "hear no evil, see no evil." Is this right? Won't this really lead to more drunk freshmen that RA's will have to handle? And is this the biggest part of the RA's job?

I feel that if this has to become a large part of what RA's have to do on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, his or her job becomes more of a policeman and nurse (let's face it, who really stays up with a drunk resident? I know my RA did it with me many times.) They do the nursing bit a lot now. But if the RA has to be a policeman as well, does this leave the residents feeling free to come and talk to them about other problems? Now of course, college is a place to experiment and try new things, including alcohol. There are times however when I look at freshmen and wonder when they are going to stop going through puberty, wake up to the real world, and take things in moderation. Alcohol is

not something to fool around with. Many people don't even have the foggiest notion as to what drunk is physically, and they certainly don't know that it's not cool to pass out. You're really close to death.

Some people say that the new drinking law is stupid. They say that it is not fair because of all the other things we can do when we're 19. These include placing an extremely conservative, aging screen actor of B-movies in the White House (for two terms no less), signing up to take out our frustration on small third world nations, (if you're of the right sex and sexual orientation), fill your lungs full of carbon deposits and giving your local, state, and national bureaucracies your bucks.

What's really important here is that so many people don't know how to use alcohol properly that some type of regulation is necessary. You're not as mature as you think you are. College is more than just one big beer bash. How many other ways can you think to have fun?

What I think needs to be seen this campus is a strong push away from keg parties and hall parties, move toward more non-alcohol functions. This year has seen only a few such activities. The block party for the new students was a huge success. Most people think however that such an event for everyone wouldn't be successful because there was no way for them to get blitzed. Too bad. This campus needs some fresh ideas and then be allowed to have some leeway in accomplishing them. We need to try something radical, to try and get students to be involved in non-alcoholic activities. It may be tough. Even I can't think of enough alternatives to help with this problem. It will be tough. And believe it may take a few good men or women. Good luck.

It's not been too bad a semester. I haven't seen too many drunk brawls out of the Pub or Chazavrel on Auto-Pilot. Let's hope stays a safe and semi-sober year.

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"Defensively the team has really held together. Both of their losses have been 1-0. They've only given up four goals in nine games." The Tide has scored a total of 18 goals in their nine games. "Offensively the goal scoring has been spread out. There is no outstanding player, it is all team effort."

When asked to comment on the other teams in the region, Gordon replied, "There are basically a lot of tough teams in the region. St. Mary's, however, is a weak team and we should play well against them, and Longwood is experiencing a lot of injuries right now."

Although the team is no longer nationally ranked, it is currently ranked sixth in the region with UNC at Greensboro, Bethany, Emory, Christopher Newport, and Roanoke ahead of them.

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